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# Criteria for Vehicle Replacement

1. The following information is disseminated for your guidance in planning vehicle replacements for Fiscal Years 1956-1957. The criteria is established for all U.S. Government vehicles domestic and abroad. It is based on service expected under adequate maintenance conditions.

2. This is not to infer that vehicles reaching the minimum age or mileage are to be automatically replaced if in sound operating condition, nor does it infer that a vehicle may not be replaced unless it has reached the minimum requirements. In the latter case, however, strong justification will be required setting forth in detail the reasons why it is economically unsound or operationally impossible to continue to operate the vehicle in question.

- a. Passenger cars/Station Wagons 6 years or 60,000 miles
- b. Buses for eleven or more passengers 8 years or

Intercity Type 280,000 miles  
City-Type 150,000 "  
School Type 80,000 "  
(Most buses are considered School Type)

- c. Multiple Drive (4 or 6 wheel drive) truck chassis combination personnel and property carrying vehicle. 6 years or 40,000 miles
- d. Motor trucks provided with pick-up or express, panel carryall or van, platform, rack, dump, truck-tractor, or tank bodies.

| MAXIMUM<br>GROSS VEHICULAR WEIGHT<br>POUNDS | TOTAL<br>YEARS | TOTAL<br>MILES | PAY LOAD<br>RATING |
|---|----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Less than 15,000                            | 6              | 30,000         | 1½ ton and less    |
| 15,000 to 24,500                            | 7              | 60,000         | 2 through 4 tons   |
| 24,500 and over                             | 9              | 80,000         | Over 4 tons        |

3. Requests for replacement vehicles will be accompanied by the following information concerning the vehicle to be replaced:

- a. Complete vehicle description to include: make, model, year of manufacture, engine number and MV number, if available.
- b. Odometer reading. (If the odometer is broken or has been replaced, a realistic estimate will be furnished.)
- c. Nature of immediate repairs required and estimated cost.
- d. Anticipated repairs during remainder of fiscal year and estimated cost.
- e. Total cost of repairs from beginning of fiscal year to date.
- f. Any additional information pertinent to the particular case.



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